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Commissioner for Patents**Non-Responsive Election (Bonafide)**

The reply dated January 11, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The amendment filed on January 11, 2006 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because Applicants amended all of the claims to include "cell" samples that fall within the scope of Group III, which was not elected (e.g., see 10/20/03 Restriction, pages 2-4; see also original claims 36-48).

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE. The examiner also notes that the appropriate fees must be paid to extend the time period for response.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Jon D. Epperson, Ph. D., Art Unit 1639, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0808.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1600.

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